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Title: COHERENCE FACTOR ADAPTIVE ULTRASOUND IMAGING METHODS AND SYSTEMS

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time in the above-identified patent application in order to keep this application alive. A response to the Final Office action was filed within 2 months from the final rejection. The Examiner  $\boxtimes$  has or  $\square$  has not issued an Advisory Action therefore, this extension is for one (1) month(s) and will extend the due date from November 18, 2009 to December 18, 2009 (mailing date of Final Office Action was August 18, 2009). A response in the form of an RCE is enclosed herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. <u>19-2179</u> for the extension fee of \$130.00. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. <u>19-2179</u>.

PLEASE MAIL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Respectfully submitted,

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